

Law & Finance 2/10/2021

SPEAKERS

Darren O'Connor, Tara Gaston, Phil Barrett, Sandra Winney, Audra Hedden, Jonathan Schopf, Jason Kemper, Matt Veitch, Kevin Tollisen, Several Supervisors, Tom Wood, Theodore Kusnierz, Michael Hartnett

Jonathan Schopf

The Vice Chair of Law and Finance is present in person in the county boardroom. Along with some of our staff. I'd ask Mr. Barrett to please moderate any discussion and questions today, because I can't see who's either indicating they want to speak in person or who is calling in remotely. So if we can just bear everyone's patience with that, I think we'll be able to get through this in short order. So with that being said, I would call the February 10 2021 Law and Finance meeting to order. Mr. Kemper, I believe you or Audra, you're taking the attendance.

Audra Hedden

Yes.

Jonathan Schopf

Do we have a full committee today?

Audra Hedden

We have a quorum

Jason Kemper

List each one.

Audra Hedden

Phil Barrett is here, Supervisor Barrett. One supervisor just came on the line. Could you introduce yourself please?

Darren O'Connor

Thanks, Darren. Thank you.

Audra Hedden

Hi, Supervisor O'Connor. Supervisor Gaston is present, Supervisor Tollisen, Supervisor Veitch. I did not hear Supervisor Winnie. Did anybody hear her introduce herself? Did I miss that? And Supervisor Wood I heard.

Phil Barrett

Are you still there, Tom?

Tom Wood

Yes, I'm right here. Thank you.

Phil Barrett

Thank you.

Jonathan Schopf

Great. So we have a quorum present. Excellent. So welcome everyone. The first item on the agenda I would just ask for a motion to approve the minutes from the January 13 2021 meeting. Is there a motion for that?

Jonathan Schopf

So moved, Supervisor Tollisen

Jonathan Schopf

Motion by Supervisor Tollisen, is there a second?

Tom Wood

Second, Mr. Wood.

Jonathan Schopf

All in favor.

Several Supervisors

Aye.

Jonathan Schopf

Any opposed? Motion passes. Moving on the first committee, on the order today is Human Resources and Insurance. Jason, are you going to be handling that? I don't know if present here today or not.

Jason Kemper

Yeah, I'll read each resolution and my quick summary for each one.

Jonathan Schopf

Thank you very much. We'll start with human resources.

Jason Kemper

Okay, authorize an amendment to the 2021 compensation schedule to create two public health epidemiologists grade 15 step 1A base salary \$73,127, one supervising public health epidemiologist grade 17 step 1A base at \$3,444 and one senior public health educator base \$59,522. Under the public health department and amending the 2021 budget there to budget impact this item will reduce the fund balance by \$462,751. This resolution is being brought forward from the Human Resources and Public Health departments. These positions are being added in response to the ongoing COVID-19 response

efforts at Saratoga County, as well as in preparation for a full service Public Health Agency. Salary and fringe for these four positions totals \$462,751. It will be appropriated from fund balance.

Tara Gaston

I'll move that.

Jonathan Schopf

Do have a second?

Kevin Tollisen

Second. Kevin Tollisen.

Jonathan Schopf

Any discussion on the motion? All favor?

Several Supervisors

Aye.

Jonathan Schopf

Any opposed? Motion carries. Health and Human Services please,

Jason Kemper

First resolution authorizing the acceptance of \$34,000 from the New York State Office of Children and Family Services to continue participation in the Safe Harbor New York program during the 2021 calendar year, authorizing a renewal agreement with Saratoga center for the family CFF an amount of 29,000 effective February 1 2021 and will expire on December 31 2021 for the development and implementation of the New York Safe Harbor Program and amending the budget in relation thereto. Budget impact none 100% state aid. The first part of this resolution accepts additional funding from the New York State Safe Harbor Program and authorizes a renewal agreement for these funds. This program is targeted to protect sexually exploited children. The original five year grant for this program initiated in 2016 and totaled \$483,600 via Resolution 46 of 2016. The additional funds were not included or anticipated in the 2021 budget, and as such a budget amendment will be necessary. The second part of the resolution offers a renewal agreement with Saratoga Center for the Family originally offered in resolution 79 of 2017. Future funding of this program has not been determined so this agreement will cover from February 2021 to December 2021. Second item, authorizing the acceptance of additional grant funding from the New York State Office of Children and Family Services OCFS for the 2020 calendar year and amending the corresponding Youth Program contracts. Budget impact none 100% state aid. This resolution will accept an additional \$29,341 from the New York State Office of Children and Family Services. \$16,047 of this will be devoted to the Youth Development Program, and \$13,294 will be devoted to the Runaway Home Youth Program. Resolution 225 of 2020, and the contracts that authorize will be amended to authorize this additional funding for the Youth Program contracts as a result of this increased funding.

Tara Gaston

I'll move that.

Jonathan Schopf

Moved by Supervisor Gaston Second?

Tom Wood

Second Supervisor Wood.

Jonathan Schopf

Second by Supervisor Wood thank you. Any discussion. All in favor?

Several Supervisors

Aye.

Jonathan Schopf

Any opposed? Motion passes. Technology & Resiliency committee.

Jason Kemper

First resolution authorizing a refresh of the county's IT data center and or additional remote work solution that has been, was originally implemented in 2015 and amend the 2021 budget accordingly. Budget impact, this item will reduce the fund balance by \$607,538. This resolution will authorize a data refresh for the county's data center. This will include replacing the five host servers with six new servers, a new storage device doubling the county's current storage, replacing and upgrading the data center switches, replacing building number five core switch, replacing the firewall with a new device capable of higher levels of security. In addition, support will be ending in 2022 for many of the current devices currently in use. This is the first substantial upgrade since 2015 to the data center. The estimated cost for these upgrades is \$607,538 and will be acquired from fund balance.

Jonathan Schopf

Thank you. Do we have a motion on that?

Phil Barrett

I'll move it Barrett.

Matt Veitch

Second

Jonathan Schopf

Mr. Barrett, second by Supervisor Veitch. Any discussion on the motion? All in favor?

Several Supervisors

Aye.

Jonathan Schopf

Any opposed? Motion passes. Thank you, Buildings and Grounds up next.

Jason Kemper

First one out of Buildings and Grounds is introducing a local law authorizing the leasing of real property of the county of Saratoga to the gateway House of Peace Inc., and setting a date for a public hearing. Budget impact none. This resolution authorizes the local law for leasing of the gateway House of Peace and setting a public hearing for March 10 at 3:30pm. Prior to the law and finance meeting. The current lease and the extension originally approved in 2011 expires on May 14 2021. The new local law will cover the same terms as the original agreement with a five year lease with a one-time five year renewal option as requested by Gateway House. Second item out of buildings and grounds authorizing agreement with Auctions International for the online auction services associated with the sale of county owned property at 31 Woodlawn Avenue in the City of Saratoga Springs. Budget impact none. The resolution came out of a special meeting of Buildings and Grounds committee, resolution will authorize an agreement with Auctions International Inc. for the services associated with the sale of county property on Woodlawn Avenue. Four proposals were received, following review of qualifications, references, proposed plan, and cost proposals by the Department of Public Works in consultation with the Director of Purchasing is recommended award to Auctions International, the auctioneers premium will be 6% consistent with past county online auction services.

Jonathan Schopf

Great, do we have a motion on that?

Sandra Winney

I'll make the motion this is Supervisor Winney.

Jonathan Schopf

Welcome Supervisor Winney, can you please note her appearance for the record? Do we have a second?

Matt Veitch

I'll second it.

Phil Barrett

Second by Veitch.

Jonathan Schopf

Second by Veitch. Thank you very much. Any discussion on the motion? All in favor?

Several Supervisors

Aye.

Jonathan Schopf

Any opposed? Thank you, Supervisor Winney just so you know, I'm remote today on this, as well as most of the folks, Supervisor Barrett is present in person and he's going to be moderating the discussion there. So just so you know, the procedure we're following today.

Sandra Winney

Okay. Thank you.

Jonathan Schopf

Public Safety up next.

Jason Kemper

Three resolutions out of Public Safety. The first authorizing agreement with Prevention Council of Saratoga County for a certified peer recovery advocate to be assigned to the Saratoga County Correctional Facility at a cost not to exceed \$35,000 for the 2021 calendar year. Budget impact none, funds for this agreement were included in the 2021 budget. Summary, the first item from the sheriff's department is for a part time individual to provide assistance to the inmate population suffering from addiction problems. This is a continuation of the current MOU agreement with the Prevention Council of Saratoga County Sheriff, it will be subject to the approval of the County Attorney and the Sheriff. Second item out of Public Safety, authorizing agreement with the Town of Wilton for specialized law enforcement, budget impact none. This resolution will formalize an agreement between the sheriff and the Town of Wilton. The agreement will include a prorated amount of \$74,093.75 for 2021, and a 2% increase annually for two years equating to a charge of \$99,896.76 for 2022 and \$101,023.96 for 2023. Although budget neutral, a budget amendment will be necessary to recognize that additional revenue and associated expenses. Form and content of such agreement subject to the approval of the County Attorney and Sheriff. Item number three, introducing the Executive order 203 compliance group report and scheduling a public comment period for community feedback on the report and plan prior to adoption or ratification of the plan by resolution of the Board of Supervisors. Budget impact none. Executive order 203 was issued in July of 2020 and requires all municipalities with police agencies to form a committee to collect community input and review policing strategies, policies and deployments. Members of the Executive order compliance group include Dr. Prezioso, Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services Chair Undersheriff Rick Castle Vice Chair, Supervisor Darren O'Connor, Supervisor Tom Richardson, District Attorney Karen Heggen, Public Defender Andrew Blumenberg, Opal Hinds, and Michael Hartnett, serving as legal advisor. This resolution released the draft plan prepared by the committee to the full Board of Supervisors and open a public comment period that will conclude on March 5 2021. After consideration of public comments, the Board is required to formally adopt or ratify the recommendation by April 1 2021.

Jonathan Schopf

Great, do we have a motion on those items?

Phil Barrett

I'll move it, Barrett.

Jonathan Schopf

Supervisor Barrett. Second?

Tara Gaston

I'll second.

Jonathan Schopf

Supervisor Gaston Thank you. Any discussion?

Tara Gaston

I have a question. So will this mean at our next Board meeting the 203 report will be distributed?

Jason Kemper

I'll let Mr. Hartnett answer that.

Michael Hartnett

The actual report was attached to the agenda that went to Public Safety. So it's out there and I can (illegible)

Tara Gaston

Okay. Apologies. Thank you.

Michael Hartnett

That's okay. The group published the report, so to speak, but it's now given over to the Board, for the Board to open it up to comment and decide to adopt it, ratify it, (illegible).

Tara Gaston

Okay. Thank you. I missed that in that email but I'll go back to it. Thank you.

Michael Hartnett

You're welcome.

Jonathan Schopf

All right. Any other discussion? Okay, all in favor?

Several Supervisors

Aye.

Jonathan Schopf

Any opposed? All right, Motion passes. Economic Development is up next.

Jason Kemper

First item out of Economic Development amending the boundaries of the consolidated agricultural district number two, budget impacts none. This first item will approve the amendments to the boundaries of Saratoga County consolidated agricultural district number two. The inclusions include a

23.3 acre parcel on Hermance road into Town of Galway used to cultivate garlic. The second inclusion consists of two parcels on Route 9N in the Town of Corinth, totaling 32.22 acres used for garlic cultivation, syrup production honey, plants and vegetables and the sale of eggs, this resolution will also issue a negative declaration pursuant to the state environmental quality review act. A public hearing was held prior to this meeting and no comments were received in regards to this issue. These amendments were previously approved by the Saratoga County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board. Item number two out Economic Development authorizing a major contract extension with Cornell cooperative extension for the management of the Saratoga County MS4 stormwater program for \$188,737 during the 2021 calendar year, budget impact none. Funds were included in the 2021 budget. This is an annual housekeeping item with Cornell cooperative extension for the services associated with a stormwater compliance across numerous municipalities. The previous agreement was for three years with an annual increase, request was made from Cornell cooperative extension to keep the rate the same as 2020 for a term of one year from January 1 2021 to December 31 2021. Funds are included in the adopted budget. Third item out of Economic Development authorizing the first quarter 2021 payment to the Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, budget impact none. This resolution will authorize the quarterly payment to the Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership in the amount of \$112,500 as spelled out in resolution 276 of 2020. These funds are included in the 2021 budget. Last item for Economic Development, authorizing the force first quarter 2021 payment to the Saratoga Economic Development Corporation budget impact none. This resolution will authorize a quarterly payment to SEDC in the amount of \$37,500 as spelled out in resolution 276 of 2020. These funds are available in the 2021 adopted budget.

Jonathan Schopf

A motion?

Kevin Tollisen

I'll make that motion. Supervisor Tollisen.

Jonathan Schopf

Thank you Supervisor. Second.

Tom Wood

Second, Supervisor Wood.

Jonathan Schopf

Thank you, Supervisor. Any discussion? All in favor.

Several Supervisors

Aye.

Jonathan Schopf

Any opposed? Motion passes. Racing and Gaming up next.

Jason Kemper

Racing and Gaming first item is supporting Saratoga Casino Hotel request to reinstate regular operating hours. Budget impact none. This resolution will request Governor Cuomo to consider allowing casinos to remain open back to their normal operating hours of 9am to 5am. Effective November 13 2020, under executive order from the Governor, video lottery terminal gaming facilities and commercial casinos in New York State were required to close at 10pm. Saratoga Casino Hotel is seeking support in this request. The Saratoga Casino Hotel does not seek an unfair advantage over local restaurants and will therefore comply with the original 10pm food and beverage restriction. Secondly, urging Governor Cuomo and the State Legislature to restore VLT impact aid to the County of Saratoga and the City of Saratoga Springs. This resolution will urge the Governor and the Legislature to restore the VLT impact aid that was removed from the proposed executive budget. The County of Saratoga and the City of Saratoga Springs jointly cover the costs associated with public safety services in order to provide a venue for video lottery terminals. The county and the city rely on VLT aid to offset these costs. This item was included in the past legislative and research priorities and will be included this year as well.

Jonathan Schopf

Alright, thank you. Do we have a motion on that?

Sandra Winney

I'll make the motion on that. Supervisor Winney.

Jonathan Schopf

Supervisor Winney. Do we have a second?

Matt Veitch

Second

Phil Barrett

Second by Veitch?

Jonathan Schopf

Seconded by Supervisor Veitch Any discussion?

Tara Gaston

Just for clarification that

Jonathan Schopf

All in favor, I'm sorry,

Tara Gaston

Sorry, Supervisor Gaston again, it's just a change to the hours for the hotel. Right. They're continuing to follow their opening plan, which is I think that's really great in working with County. Just changing hours.

Jonathan Schopf

Absolutely. Yes. Any other discussion or questions?

Matt Veitch

I think what Skip had said at the meeting was that they wanted to just have the machines open. The bars and restaurants, the food and beverage still closing at the Governor's mandated time (illegible).

Tara Gaston

Yeah, I got some of that from when Jason was talking about not the food. I just wanted to make sure it was clear. Otherwise they put together a really good reopening plan that was very specific and worked with public health and I just wanted to make it clear, that's still continued. It's just the machines.

Jonathan Schopf

All in favor.

Several Supervisors

Aye

Jonathan Schopf

Any opposed? Hearing none, a giant item from Government Review and Efficiency,

Jason Kemper

Amending resolution 1 of 2020, budget impact none. This change is essentially correcting a typo. The name of the Government Review and Efficiency committee is listed incorrectly in the definition of the committee. It is listed as a Government Efficiency and Reform committee, therefore will be changed to Government Review and Efficiency committee.

Jonathan Schopf

We are already making government more efficient. Any, any motions on this one?

Tara Gaston

I guess I'll move that one.

Jonathan Schopf

Alright Supervisor Gaston, second?

Phil Barrett

Second by Barrett.

Jonathan Schopf

Second by Barrett. Let's try to not have a lot of discussion about this. All in favor?

Several Supervisors

Aye

Jonathan Schopf

Any opposed? All right, excellent. I was afraid we are going to get through that. Then we got quite a few items under Law and Finance.

Jason Kemper

Okay, first several items from the Sewer District. First, authorizing an agreement with Franklin County New York for the sale of Saratoga County Sewer Districts jet vac truck for \$180,000. This resolution will give the Chairman the authority to enter into an MOA with Franklin County for the sale of the Saratoga County Sewer District's jet vac truck for \$180,000. Subject to the approval of the County Attorney. They anticipate a revenue from the sale, was included in the Saratoga County Sewer District's 2021 budget. Second item authorizing the Chairman of the Board to sign an implementation task order with Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation doing business as National Grid for the implementation installation of the Saratoga County Sewer District number one's LED replacement plan. Budget impact none. This resolution will authorize the Chairman to enter into a task order under the current utility master agreement with National Grid to provide materials and services to replace all the lighting at the wastewater treatment plant and the Milton pump station with LED lighting. Total project cost is approximately \$326,845.94. This task order will allow this work to be completed. These funds are included in both the 2020 re appropriations and the 2021 budget. Energy savings are estimated at approximately \$37,000 with an eight year simple payback and approximately six years simple payback if operation and maintenance of the existing lighting system is included. Next, authorizing the Chairman of the board to execute an agreement with Wright Pierce Engineering consultants PC for the work related to the evaluation and design of upgrades to the Sewer District's secondary clarifiers gates, motor control structures and the 4160 v Transformers at the wastewater treatment plant. Budget impact none. Under this agreement, the engineer will provide final design documents to upgrade the systems at the wastewater treatment plant. Based on their findings. The total cost will be \$454,180 and is included in the 2021 budget. Last item from the Sewer District authorizing the transfer and reappropriation of funds from the 2020 budget to the 2021 budget in the amount of \$8,163,891.80 for ongoing capital projects. Budget impact none. This resolution authorizes the reappropriation of unspent capital funds in the Sewer District's ES enterprise fund, the total amount to be reappropriate is \$8,163,892 for various capital projects, the reappropriation spreadsheet was provided with a backup to this agenda. The projects include the pump stations upgrade at Knox woods and Riverside one, engineering work for the Saratoga Springs pump station upgrade, interceptor rehabilitation design and construction admin and inspection, construction of a new storage building, HVAC upgrades at the wastewater treatment plant, installation of a solar array at the wastewater treatment plant, secondary clarifier motor control centers and gate upgrades at the wastewater treatment plant and engineering costs related to the joint regional bio solids facility. Next, introducing a proposed local law limiting third party food delivery services fees during a declared emergency and setting a date for a public hearing. This one's going to be lengthy so bear with me. The proposed local law is aimed at assisting restaurants and industry which has been hard hit by the pandemic. Currently third party delivery service services such as grubhub, doordash, Uber eats, charge restaurants fees for delivery services number one, and two, listing fees for the restaurant to have their menu listed by the third party delivery service. These are sometimes called marketing fees. These fees are tacked onto the online orders, and the cost is usually not passed on to the consumer. It is paid by the restaurant, therefore cutting into an already thin profit margins for food services. Restaurants have been severely affected during the pandemic by both the inability to have customers dine in due to the restrictions from COVID and forcing reliance on

third party delivery apps. During the pandemic, there has been an exponential increase in the use of third party delivery apps as a result of citizens staying home and ordering food online. This forces restaurants into an untenable position of being at the mercy of the third party delivery apps to stay in business. These fees can be charged upwards of 30% of the total order. This proposed legislation does four things. Number one, it is only in effect during the New York State or County declared emergency plus 90 days after the declared emergency. Number two, it caps the delivery fee at 15% of the total online order. Number three, it caps the other fees such as marketing fees at 5% of the total order for a total of 20% max. And number four provides the ability for recourse by demanding a refund and then authorizing the lawsuit with an award of attorney's fees if they are successful in showing noncompliance with this law. Also of note, this law prohibits the reduction of compensation or gratuities to delivery drivers to make up any difference. This legislation is supported by the New York State Restaurant Association and mirrors the laws passed by New York City, Albany, Westchester and other counties. The resolution provides for a public hearing to set prior to adoption at the Law and Finance March meeting. Last item, resolution amending resolution 31 of 2021, an agreement with the Saratoga Springs City Center Authority for the lease of the Saratoga Springs City Center for the COVID-19 vaccine. Budget impact none. This resolution will amend resolution 31 of 2021, which authorized a contract with the Saratoga Springs City Center as a potential mass vaccination facility. Specifically, the resolution spelled out that a minor contract was signed with the City Center for a weekly rate of \$2,000. This resolution will be amended to include the original weekly rate beginning at the expiration date of the minor contract, which will be February 23 2021, and combining that into the major contract with the City Center

Several Supervisors

(Talking at the same time)

Jonathan Schopf

(Illegible) move those items.

Phil Barrett

Moved by Supervisor Gaston and second by Supervisor Barrett.

Jonathan Schopf

Any discussion on the motion.

Phil Barrett

Yeah, Mr. Chairman, if I might just real quick. As far as the restaurant capping of fees, I want to thank Chairman Kusnierz and Supervisor Schopf for bringing this forward during a very difficult time for our restaurants. We have letters from New York State Restaurant Association, which I attained recently, we also had a letter from Ballston Spa Business Professional Association. I don't have that one in front of me, but we did receive a letter from them. I also have emails from individual restaurants. And I think between now and the public hearing will receive many more. There's a tremendous amount of support for this measure, particularly for how the legislation is written taking into account two different layers or levels of fees. There's two designations in there, one for delivery, and one that's called a listing or

marketing fee these companies apply. So overall, the support is thick and wide for this measure, and I think everybody will see that leading up to the public hearing. Thank you.

Jonathan Schopf

Thank you

Tara Gaston

Chairman.

Jonathan Schopf

Yes.

Phil Barrett

This is Supervisor Gaston, I don't have any letters in hand either, but I can say, Yeah, but will by the public hearing, but anecdotally, restaurants in Saratoga Springs are also very grateful for this potential move and are definitely appreciative of the step being taken.

Sandra Winney

This is Supervisor Winney. So you're saying that we're just lowering a 10%? Is that correct? Because it was up to 30. And you're taking 15 and 5, so that's a 20. So they're happy with this 20%?

Phil Barrett

This is Supervisor Barrett. I don't know that every partnership between, if you want to call it a partnership, or a business arrangement, between a restaurant and a delivery option, is at 30%? I know some of them are, some of them may be lower. I'm not sure exactly. I think there's a difference there depending on who you're talking about. But yes, to answer your question, that is the acceptable level, as far as our restaurants are concerned, 15% and 5%, it's in this letter from the New York State Restaurant Association. And I also talked to some restaurants that supported that letter. You know, one important part of this is, is one restaurateur in Saratoga Springs mentioned to me, it used to be that this portion of their business plan, their ongoing business, might be 1%, a few percent a year it was, it was something very small. So it really wasn't that big of a focus. And if they made a little bit of money from, from delivery, then great, but it was such a small part of their revenue, that it wasn't a grave concern, what's happened is that 1%, 2%, 5% of their business has now become 30-40% or more of their business. And that's not through their fault. That's obviously, due to conditions, circumstances, directives that are beyond their control, and certainly nothing that they chose. So now that it's such a huge portion of their business, it becomes a focus and the added cost of the containers, and everything that's associated with to-go orders, in addition to extremely high fees, it becomes the difference possibly between surviving and not, but they want to make sure to say that they appreciate all the to go businesses is not a complaint on their end whatsoever, they are

Sandra Winney

That's what's keeping them alive right now.

Phil Barrett

They're very appreciative of the business, they're getting either people that go in and patronize a restaurant or to-go orders. So it's not a complaint as far as they're concerned, they want to stress that it's simply just a matter of dollars and cents reality and what they're facing. They're trying to survive and I think this is a great opportunity for us to make a big difference to each and every restaurant.

Sandra Winney

No, I think the bill is good. I do. But I just wanted to know if it was enough for them, you know, because they have been struggling right along here. But this is only good during the pandemic and then 90 days after, right?

Phil Barrett

Correct.

Sandra Winney

When this ends, Okay. And another question I had. I'm sorry. How much are we paying the City Center altogether? For the use of that?

Jonathan Schopf

I'll defer that over to Supervisor Gaston for the discussion on that, I think that there's several layers of payment depending on circumstances. So Supervisor Gaston, you're able to speak to that at the moment?

Tara Gaston

Of course. First, I do want to make it clear. So I just confirmed with the County Attorney in the supporting documents for the public hearing, in the local law, the draft, it was March 5 as a public hearing, but the Mark 10 is the correct date. That's correct?

Michael Hartnett

Correct me if I'm wrong, it's before the next Law & Finance meeting.

Jason Kemper

Yes.

Tara Gaston

OK, in the supporting documents, that was the fifth, but it's actually the tenth. I just want to make sure since. So at this time, we're still under the monitor contract, which is \$2,000

Jason Kemper

\$2,000 per week

Tara Gaston

To hold it that allows us the ability to go in as soon as we notify them and then once that's activated, it's a monthly fee of 49,000. And I'm sorry, I don't have the last three digits

Jason Kemper

49,328 Supervisor Winney

Phil Barrett

Thank you. And that would be in monthly chunks. And that would be only after the Commissioner of Public Health determine that we had received sufficient vaccination to open it for that period of time.

Sandra Winney

Okay, so right now we're paying \$2,000 a week.

Tara Gaston

Correct.

Sandra Winney

Okay. And then when we do use it, it'll be the 29,000, that's going to be incorporated into the 29,049

Jason Kemper

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Sandra Winney

I'm sorry,

Phil Barrett

Yes. And we were paying to hold, and then once it's activated, that would stop. And the 49,000 would start.

Sandra Winney

Okay.

Jonathan Schopf

And the reason we're bringing this forward now is the \$2,000 increments for the whole period. We actually, in our last resolution, there was a minor contract, but it was for a lesser amount than our minor contract level, it was 12 instead of 15. So we're heading to exceed that that initial 12,000 appropriation. So we're just going to move this into a resolution to continue to maintain as we've obviously not received the quantities of vaccine to activate that particular center. I do know, anecdotally that Mr. Bulger and some other folks went over and toured the facility, with representatives from State Department of Health as a potential State site. And it's my understanding that they were very impressed with the facilities, particularly the covered external waiting areas the parking, and the way that we could configure it for the vaccine delivery. So hopefully, there's some potential there for recognition from the State as well.

Sandra Winney

Okay. And my question, the 49,000, we're paying, when we get the vaccine. Is that a monthly fee?

Phil Barrett

It is for a period of one month, that we would be using it? Yes.

Sandra Winney

Okay. So it's a period of one month we're going to be using it. Okay.

Tara Gaston

Well, that pays for a period of one month, there's a lot of contingencies written in the contract, to work out if we need more or less or for where to go from there.

Sandra Winney

Okay. I understand it. Thank you.

Tara Gaston

I would also like to thank the Administrator and the Commissioner of Public Health, all the other county staff who were available on short order to assist our State electives and the Governor's office in reviewing the facility. Hopefully, we can get them to come in and use that to also help us expand our eligibility and availability.

Jonathan Schopf

All good things. All right. Any other discussions on any items? Hearing none, motion to move them?

Sandra Winney

I'll move it Barrett.

Sandra Winney

Supervisor Winney second.

Several Supervisors

We already did that.

Jonathan Schopf

My apologies, I got caught up in the moment. All in favor?

Several Supervisors

Aye

Jonathan Schopf

Any opposed? Thank you. And then we have various Chairman's items for appointments to various boards that are listed there. I believe these are all items that are our Chairman's items, but they're approved by the Board if I'm if I'm correct.

Jason Kemper

Yes. By resolution.

Jonathan Schopf

Yep. All right. So do you just want to read those out quickly?

Jason Kemper

Absolutely. The first item appointing Jonathan Schopf to the Board of Ethics budget impact none. Second item appointing Nicole Trembley, MD to the Community Services Board, budget impact none. Third item appointing Darren O'Connor to the Ethics Advisory Council budget impact none. Fourth item reappointing Ronald Rybicki and appointing David Friedman and Garth Ellms, to the Fish and Wildlife Management Board for Region Five, budget impact none. Fifth item reappointing Daniel Keegan and Richard Lowenstein as Commissioners of Saratoga County Sewer District Number One budget impact none. Next appointing members of the Tourism Advisory Board budget impact none. And lastly, appointing Margaret McNamara as Workman's Compensation Administrator budget impact none.

Jonathan Schopf

Thank you, could we get a motion on those?

Tom Wood

Supervisor Wood. I'll make the motion

Jonathan Schopf

Supervisor Wood moving. Do we have a second?

Matt Veitch

I'll second

Phil Barrett

Second by Veitch

Jonathan Schopf

Thank you and any discussion on any of it? All in favor?

Several Supervisors

Aye.

Jonathan Schopf

Any opposed? None, okay, and please Audra, note my recusal on my appointment to the Board of Ethics.

Audra Hedden

Okay.

Jonathan Schopf

That would be ethical for me to recuse from that. So anybody have any other business to discuss before we set the agenda?

Theodore Kusnierz

Mr. Chairman, Supervisor Kusnierz?

Jonathan Schopf

Yes Mr. Chairman.

Theodore Kusnierz

Just briefly, I want to thank Chairman Schopf and the committee for moving forward with the cap on food delivery fees. And thank Supervisor Barrett for his very detailed explanation of the proposal. As everyone knows, the intent is twofold on that particular resolution. One is to level the playing field for our retail food businesses. And the other is to protect our residents as consumers. And the reason that I think it's important that we move on this as quickly as possible is that while the State has taken this issue up, and I know there's draft legislation, under review, until the State takes action, our struggling businesses, our food business, and our consumers still have exposure. And that's why I think it's timely that we move forward until that divide is bridged with State legislation. So thank you to the committee.

Jonathan Schopf

You're welcome, sir. It's a good move for everybody. Any other business? All right, hearing none. Have a motion to set the agenda is previously voted on individually for the Board meeting upcoming for February 23. Motion on that?

Phil Barrett

I'll move it, Barrett.

Jonathan Schopf

Barrett, second?

Jonathan Schopf

Second by Gaston. All in favor. Any discussion? All in favor?

Several Supervisors

Aye.

Jonathan Schopf

Any opposed? Motion passes. The agenda is set. I want to thank everyone for attending today. I want to thank all our staff and there were quite a few issues that arose with making this meeting happen and my apologies for being remote. I think it went off very well. So thanks all around. And with that, I'll offer it out for a motion to adjourn.

Tom Wood

Supervisor Wood.

Phil Barrett

Second.

Tom Wood

All right. Looks like it was moved by Wood seconded by Supervisor Barrett. All in favor?

Several Supervisors

Aye.

Jonathan Schopf

Any opposed? All right, very good. Thank you to everybody again, and we will see or hear from you at the Board meeting.